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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This communication is in response to a first office action with mail date of Oct. 12, 2004, in which the Examiner has rejected claims 2-6, 15 and 16 under Section 112, claims 1-21, 23, 27-31 and 33 under Section 102(e) as anticipated by Greenhalgh 2002/0083820, claim 24 under Section 103(a) as obvious over Greenhalgh in view of Japanese Patent of Mizukami 404272251, claims 25 and 26 under Section 103(a) as obvious over Greenhalgh in view of Verpoest 6,184,161, and claim 34 under Section 103(a) as obvious over Greenhalgh in view of Haiber 6,059,009.

The Examiner has indicated claims 22, 32 and 35 to be allowable if properly rewritten to overcome the objections and include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

The undersigned certifies that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date below.

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